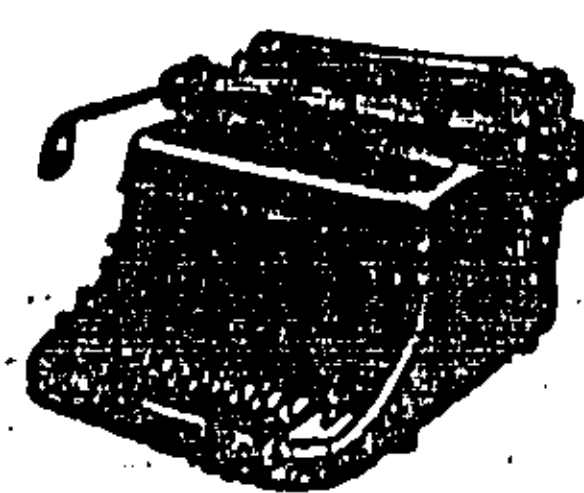


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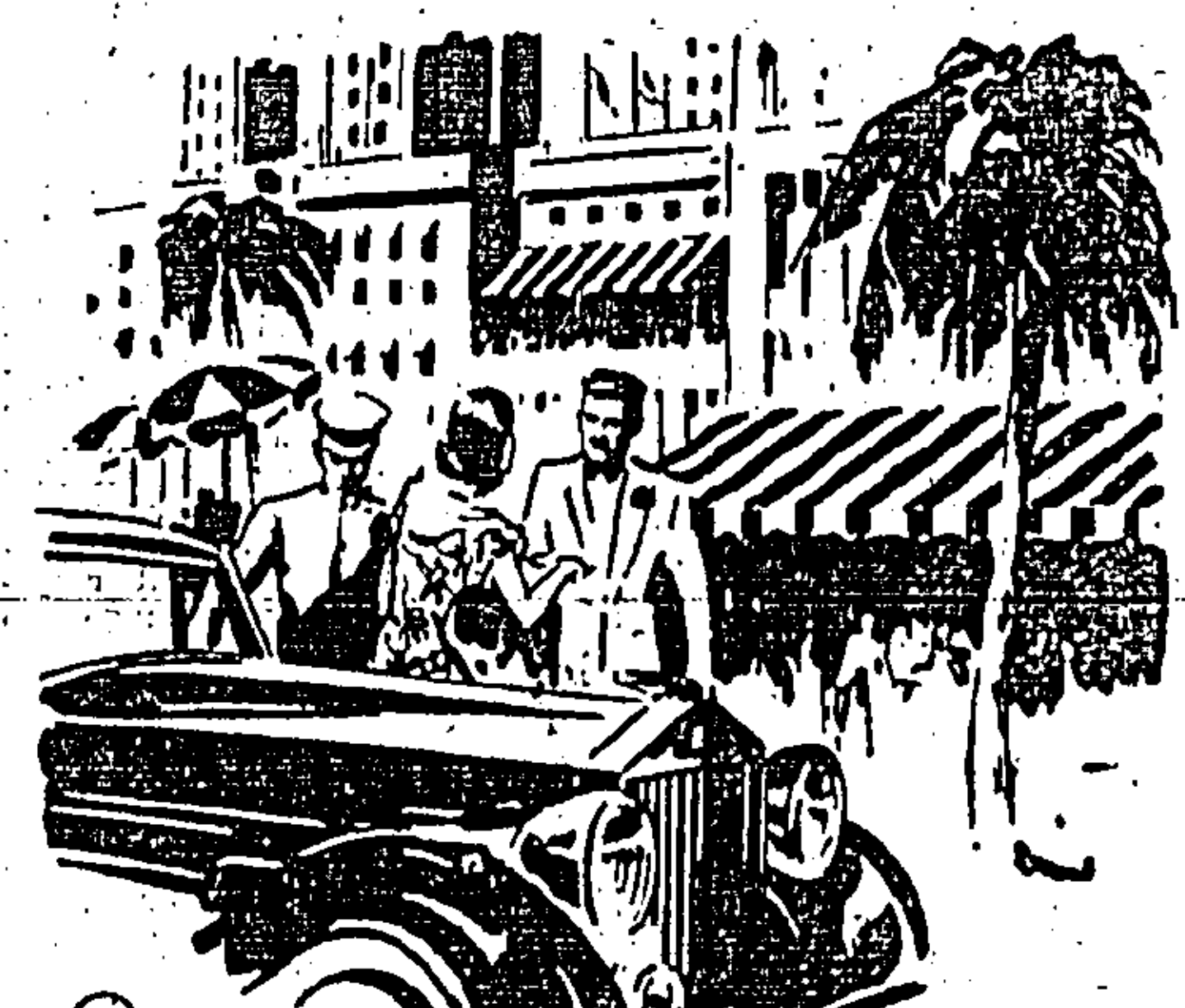
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Twin Handbag



By ALICE ALDEN

THE novelty handbag is both interesting and different. The attractive double-handbag depicted here was designed by Dofan. It is of calfskin in various colour combinations, a nice idea for the wardrobe that is done on a budget. This model is in navy and in white calf, and each bag is topped by gold-plated ball fasteners. Even the handle shares in the duo colour scheme.

Women Are Chief Victims Of Neuralgia

By HERMAN N. BUNDESEN, M.D.

IF doctors were asked to identify the world's worst pain they would probably agree in naming that of trigeminal neuralgia. Women are its chief victims, being affected about twice as often as men, and any who have ever experienced it declare it to be far worse than the pain of childbirth.

This type of neuralgia—a word which simply means pain along the course of a nerve—affects a nerve in the face. It is a disease of late middle or early old age, the majority of patients being in their 60's, with few or none affected before the age of 40.

Acute Pain

The acute pain comes on in attacks which usually affect only one side of the face. While the severe pain lasts only a few seconds, it may occur against a background of continuous, dull pain of several days' duration. There are many different things which can set

off an attack. These include women's old enemy—emotional upsets—as well as exposure to cold winds any movement of the face, such as that involved in eating or speaking, and any manipulation of facial muscles like that which goes along with washing the face or rubbing it with the fingers.

Usually when the attacks first appear they may occur only at monthly intervals, or even more infrequently. But as time passes, the period of freedom from the pain becomes shorter and the series of attacks lasts longer, until finally pain may be almost continuous. Worse than the worst toothache, the pain remains always in the same place, showing no tendency to pass into the other side of the face or down into the neck.

Many forms of treatment for this disorder have been tried out, but only two seem to be of any great value. Drugs do not seem to be effective against this severe type of pain.

Treatment

The two forms of treatment which seem to be effective are operation for cutting the nerve root, and injections of alcohol into a nerve or into a nerve root.

The alcohol injection is given to destroy the division of the nerve which is producing the painful attacks. Because of the difficulty in injecting these various branches it seems more satisfactory to inject alcohol into the nerve root. Of course, this form of treatment must be carried out by an expert who can make sure that the injection is being made into the proper area. This method of treatment is much more simple than the operative treatment.

The nerve root is cut to destroy the part of the nerve causing the painful attacks.

It is not difficult to make a diagnosis of trigeminal neuralgia. Since this disorder is so painful it requires proper treatment. That is why the doctor gives consideration to the alcohol injections for producing permanent relief.

Basket-Shape

The fruit baskets carried by the natives inspire a basket shape in pale gray-green straw filled with bright fruits. Hemp cords made in the country Anita Andra has braided into hats, as yellow and black braid matched by a shoulder bag.

Haitian hand-blocked cottons appear in facings and trimmings on the native straw bags lined and sometimes with a handle of the fabric. One of the most effective styles to be worn with cotton dresses, is a large brim in natural finished with a scalloped border picked out in bright colours, which is woven in the country. This has a large matching bag and the ensemble is good for beach as well as town and country.

Some shapes are thatched and sloped like the roofs of native huts, and there is a cool suggestion to other shapes. A style worn by the men and woven in Haiti resembles a coarse slipper straw with keel-edge, and is a style readily adaptable to American fashions.

Dior Is Still The Paris Sensation

Paris. FASHION has changed. Not in any revolutionary way, but there has been a subtle fining down of the line with new skirt movement. Once again the lead springs from Dior.

Dior's collection was sensational, swishing and swirling through his crowded salons.

He has had greater success than ever.

As soon as one gets into Paris the influence Dior has on style is felt.

"Diorise"

And so important has been the imprint of his ideas over this season's clothes that a new adjective has evolved—"Diorise," which when translated means Dior influence.

New designs still follow the 1948 silhouette, but skirt fullness and movement are achieved with a minimum of material.

Panels are pleated and flared over straight skirts to give the same effect.

This fullness is slashed from the front and concentrated behind, sometimes in a panel, or slashed front and back with small floating panels that reach the hip.

Whatever the treatment, the effect is a swirling skirt, over the fine line of the undershirt. Sometimes there are panels all the way round hanging in separate pleated flares over straight skirts.

Nursemaid Look

As a contrast to the flying panel each house shows a nursemaid silhouette, and there is a simple uniform look about evening clothes called the "nursemaid" silhouette.

Every couturier shows a series of tailored suits.

Lines in clear simple colours is tailored into suits with intricately cut jackets and very plain skirts.

Pockets are enormous this season, and every house uses pockets extensively for trimmings.

Dior's swallow suit is a delight. Pockets on this suit are backed with stiffening and pointed so that they sweep away like the wings of the swallow, after whom they are named.

For cocktail wear Jean Desces shows a model made of layers and layers of different shades of grey—short in front with a peacock hem trailing at the back.

White pique is in every millimeter collection. It is interesting to see what each designer has done with this crisp fabric.

Sometimes pique is as heavy as furnishing material and worked with coarse white lace and black velvet into lovely summer evening gowns.

Every couturier has white cotton evening dresses.

Lou Clavery is now director-designer at the wealthy house of Paquin. He is busy modeling their winter collection, working in rare mink and luscious furs with rich velvet. His mid-season collection aroused enormous interest in Paris.

It is original in very good style, and one of the few collections in no way Dior-influenced.

Most Spectacular

Dior's most spectacular dress is a short-length dance frock with thousands of field flowers stitched on to stiffened net.

A fabulous coat of snowwhite ermine is flared from a neat waist belted with wide black leather.

This is worn with a white tunic with a long rope of pearls loosely knotted to the lapel of the coat.

Another Dior coat that is sheer drama is mink, lined with cotton satin.

Dior's workrooms are more like Ford factories than the ateliers of a Paris couturier.

Models come off the assembly line by the hundred.

He employs a thousand workpeople copying and reproducing his famous designs, which are now selling all over the world.

Dior's vendueuses no longer sit with their clients in his softly-lit showroom. So great is the pleasure of business, it is considered that they take up too much peace.

Now they wait at the entrance until their customers arrive and conduct them straight to the fitting rooms.

It is an extraordinary sight to see the luxury salons of Dior looking more like a bargain basement.

—by MARY HORDERN

FOR GIRLS ONLY

Detroit. Playing up costume versatility and the slim waist, one company in Detroit presented a teen-age style show which attracted teenagers and mothers alike.

"For girls only" showed the pajama and housecoat styles, and a butcher rayon border print housecoat drew good audience response.

The second section—"By the sea, by the sea, by the beautiful sea" showed sports clothes from jumpers to bathing suit with overskirts, boleros and jackets.

Sophistication

For "take me out to the ball game" versatile fashions were shown for spectator sports. Teen-agers modelled danceable, easy-to-make formal. A short formal of cotton with shirred strapless bodice, full skirt and a quilted jacket impressed the audience as did a prim gray Moygashel linen dress with small puffed sleeves, round Peter Pan collar and lightly gathered skirt of white eyelet organdie added a touch of sophistication.

The dresses were all made from advance patterns and the materials, in a variety of colours.

Clothes were shown against casual background depicting a teen-age collection of color popovers, hot-dog and orchid sketches. Seventeen magazines were opened against gracefully draped material on a stand at the side of the entrance platform.

It's The Neckline That Makes The News

ONE of the newest looking things about the summer dresses is the variation of the necklines. It's the neckline that makes the news in cottons and light prints. "They Are Wearing..." Current success dresses in popular trend such as the laces, prints, sheers and chiffons, boast of a wide low neckline often collared. Shoulder suet necklines, wide-to-the-shoulder lines ending in a self bow, low rounded necklines, with turn down points are a few of the popular necklines.

Women have had very little, if any, resistance to the low necklines, especially in the "junior" styles. The favourite pastel cotton dresses of the season have wide, off-shoulder necklines—some with a wide

loop trimmed soft collar and the other, with lace sleeves and shoulder covering. When selecting dresses it is advisable to choose the types that have some sort of anchor, and fit on the shoulder, to avoid slipping. Dyes to match lace, lattice stripping or drawstrings are all favourite ways with low necks. Recognizing that wearability is the important factor in the low neckline dress in junior sizes, one New York Dress Store is showing a few styles in black sheer or tissue tulle. The dress black lace filling in the unusual low neckline treatment. The entire group gives the impression of a fashionable wide, bare neckline with the added wearable feature of the cover-up construction.

SCARF INTEREST



By VERA WINSTON

AQUA BLUE rayon spun in a linen-like weave is used for this neat little daytime dress. A black silk scarf polka dotted in aqua slips through two buttoned down tabs at the deep neckline. The buttoned down tab detail is repeated at the pocket on one side of the moderately full skirt. It is a good little number for afternoon wear. Incidentally, don't forget the excellent myons because of the big emphasis on silks and cottons. They are still very much with us, giving their usual good service.

Swimming Aids the Figure



Take frequent swims this summer, advises Movie Star Virginia Mayo, if you want to improve your figure or keep it as slim as it is.

By HELEN FOLLETT

WOULD you be cheery? Then breast the waves. Go swimming; be a mermaid. There is nothing like this exercise for normalising the feminine shape: it is good for the fat and the thin. It rests muscles that are used in the ordinary activities of the day, forces into action lazy, languid fibres that are not used at all.

A straight, handsome back is dependent upon muscles that extend from the shoulder blades down to the waistline. They provide the motor power for the arms as one skims through the water. After a summer of swimming they are strong and resilient.

Girls who sit at desks all day or thump typewriters should make an effort to get to beaches, if possible, or, if not beaches, to swimming tanks. If they can manage a dip after working hours, they will find themselves blessed with greater energy for the job next day. These tar-

cerists need play and relaxation even more than the hombody who usually gets out of doors with the kids.

What's more stimulating on a hot summer day than a dash into cooling water, cutting through the waves, resting afterwards in the sunshine?

One of the glowing signs of the times is woman's greater interest in outdoor sports. That is why she is taller than her mother was at her age. Vitamins, sunlight, exercise are all health and beauty aids.

The girl with fatted calves should be especially interested in swimming that gives freedom of movement to the hip joints and exercises the ankles. With a little regard for diet, cutting down on sweets, fats and starches, and a daily swim, any heavyweight should be able to cast off superfluous pounds, restore the svelte silhouette. The rewards are worth the effort.

Let's Eat
BY
IDA BAILEY ALLEN

Tasty Corned Beef Dinner

WHAT kind of dessert would you enjoy with this corned beef dinner? Inquired the Chef.

"Corned beef really calls for a tart dessert, so I think a grape juice sponge would be nice."

"You perhaps mean whipped cream with the grape juice beaten in? Served in a parfait glass with a candied violet on top?"

"Nothing so fancy," I laughed. "I mean a plain moulded grape juice sponge with custard sauce."

"But, Madame, it will be too soft to mould."

Gelatin Sponge

"Not the kind of sponge I mean, Chef. It's made with gelatin."

"Out, I comprehend. In that case the gelatin makes it firm and moulds in the whipped cream."

"But there's no cream in the sponge I mean, Chef. It's made with egg whites instead, and the egg yolks that remain can be used to thicken the custard sauce."

"I would appreciate a little explanation of this gelatin sponge, Madame. It is not in my repertoire. I am sure you would find it in our glass custard cups for individual service."

"In that case, Madame, I will first-rinse them with cold water and not dry; then when the gelatin sponges are put in the water, makes a little wet lining inside the cup, so the dessert will not stick to the cups and it will be easy to unmould."

Aluminium Moulds

"And how would you prepare the little moulds if they were aluminium or metal instead of glass custard cups?"

"I use the same method, Madame. Then when the time comes to unmould the dessert, I turn them upside down, put over a clean cloth dipped in hot water for just a second to melt the gelatin, and the dessert slides out very easy, even with very fancy moulds."

"That's a good method, Chef. I often use it too. However, some of our reader-homemakers say they find the hot steam melts the gelatin too much and makes the dessert soft. Of course that is because they keep the hot cloth too long over the moulds. So I'd like to suggest another method that won't soften the gelatin. Here it is. On a paper napkin put a few drops of salad oil. Rub the aluminium moulds with this to make a slight film of oil. Then spoon in the gelatin mixture. To unmould, loosen the top edge with a knife; turn upside down and the dessert will slide out."

"Nice compliments, Madame. Sometimes two heads are better than one, Chef's cap."

Cornd Beef Platter

Order 4 lb. corned beef, preferably brisket; or even roast flank is good, and much less expensive. Rinse the corned beef with cold water, and place it in a deep kettle. Cover with cold water, bring to boiling point, and drain. Then cover with boiling water; add 1 tsp. mixed pickle spice including 1 small bayleaf. Cover and simmer until the corned beef is almost tender, from 2 1/2 to 3 hrs.; put in 2 small peeled white potatoes for each person, 1 lb. sliced peeled turnips, and 3 halved small peeled carrots. Cover and slow-broil 15 min. Then on top lay 2 in. thick slices of crisp cabbage. Cover again and slow-broil until the cabbage is tender, about 18 min. To serve, drain the meat; reserve the liquid to use for making split pea or bean soup. Slice the meat and place overlapping in the centre of a large platter. Arrange the vegetables around it. Pass horseradish sauce or horseradish mustard. (Enough for two meals.)

Grape Juice Sponge

Place the contents of 2 envelopes unflavoured gelatin in 1/4 c. cold water, and let stand 5 min. Meantime, add 1/4 c. sugar to aluminium or metal instead of glass custard cups. Dissolve: Cool and add 1 c. grape juice and 2 tsp. lemon juice. Chill until the consistency of honey. Then beat until frothy. Next beat 2 egg whites stiff. Gradually beat in the gelatin, and continue to beat until fluffy. Transfer to a mould or individual cups. Let stand with cold water, or lightly rubbed with alcohol, and chill until firm about 4 hrs. Serve with custard sauce, made from the 2 egg yolks, (enough for 2 persons).

Custard Sauce: In a small double boiler mix 2 egg yolks, 3/4 c. sugar and 2 tsp. vanilla. Cook over steam and 1 tsp. flour. Stir in 1 c. whole milk; reconstituted dry milk milk; milk and stir over boiling water until as thick as heavy cream, about 5 min. Remove from the double-boiler. Cool. Add 1/8 tsp. vanilla.

Trick Of The Chef

Divas the vegetables on this corned beef platter with mixed butter mixed with horseradish sauce.

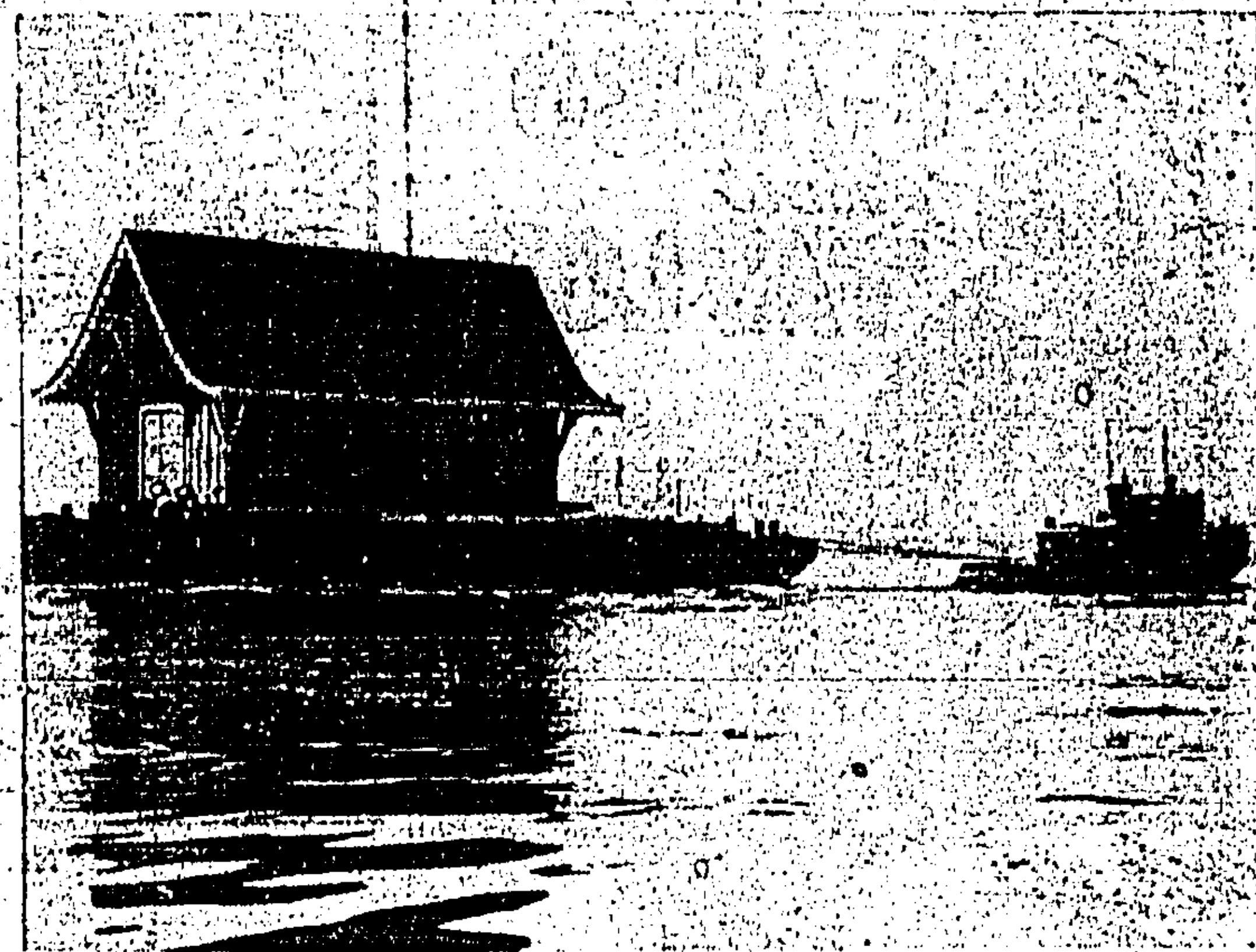
NEWS OF THE DAY IN PICTURES



THE COURSE OF TRUE LOVE—With a photograph of him beside her, Margaret Krueger, in Berlin, chats with Samuel Little, her American fiance. Little, 30-year-old ex-GI, left his Portland, Oregon, home and stowed away on a 2,600-mile sea voyage to Germany. At Bremerhaven, he was barred by the U.S. officials, and could only get close to Margaret by phone.



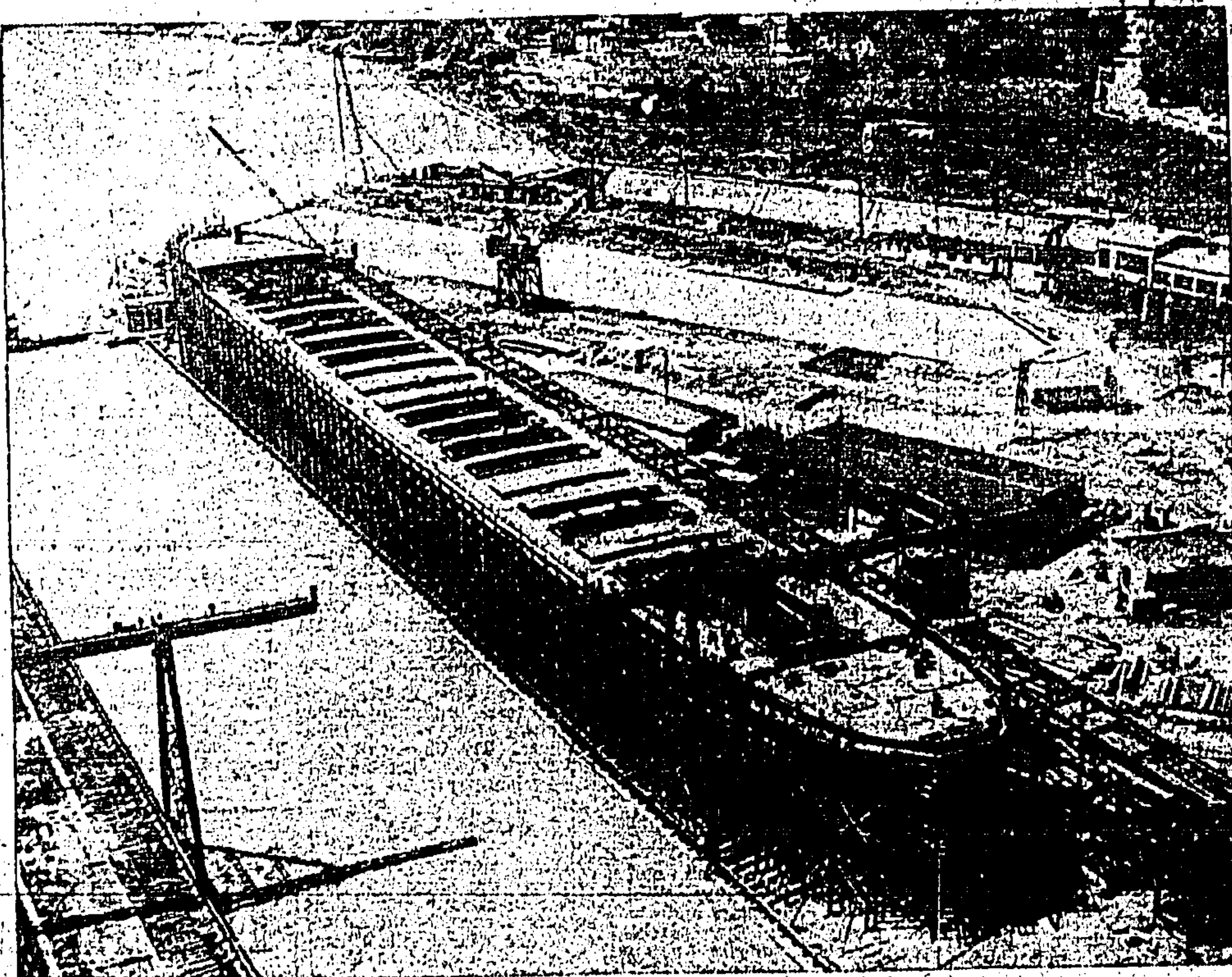
READY FOR INSPECTION—This British sailor is doing his bit with a little emery cloth and a lot of elbow grease. He's stationed aboard one of the two Royal Navy motor torpedo boats moored in the Seine River in Paris, France. It is the boats' first informal visit to the French capital since the war.



MOVING TO MUSEUM—Towed on a barge, this old building was moved from Glen Cove, New York, to Mystic, Connecticut, where it was placed in the National Marine Museum. Built in 1844, the house was once used by the late J. P. Morgan when it was part of the New York Yacht Club. The two old French mortars, left centre, on the barge, once decorated the club lawn and were sent with the house.



TO MAKE A SKY SURVEY—Dr Edwin P. Hubble, well-known astronomer in Palomar, California, puts the unique 48-inch Schmidt photographic telescope through the final rehearsals for a sky survey. This four-year scientific project will provide the world with its first definitive photo atlas of the heavens.



IT'S ALMOST FINISHED NOW—This is the U.S. freighter Wilfred Sykes, the largest vessel ever built on the Great Lakes, and now nearing completion in a Lorain, Ohio, shipyard. When launched, it will slide sideways into the drydock. The new ship will be the fastest on the Lakes in the carrier class, and can carry 20,000 tons of ore at intermediate draft.



GOT WHAT THEY NEEDED—After a month of intensive training at the International Guiding Eyes School in Los Angeles, California, these girls leave for home with their Guide dogs. They are Nan Farquhar, left, of Winnipeg, Canada, and Norma Sharrett of Omaha, Nebraska. The dogs were gifts from the school.



HOW'S THAT FOR SIZE?—Following the graduation exercises of the Valley Forge Military Academy at Wayne, Pennsylvania, little Martha Anne Davis, of Monessen, and David Shaffer, of Windber, collected a few hats that had been discarded by the cadets. Both youngsters have uncles who were first classmen in the exercises.



IN NICK OF TIME—Sally Castle, 18, of Buffalo, New York, feeds goat's milk to a one-day-old deer which was born after its mother died instantly while leaping an iron picket fence. Two radio police officers noticed movement in the carcass and, applying novice surgery, delivered the little fellow.



MISS NONSTOP—Karolee Kelly, voted "Miss Nonstop of '49" in Los Angeles, California, is checked out by pilot Henry McCance with his plane's radio equipment.



THE HELPERS—Bob Hope smiles approvingly as Thelma Neiderberger, 14, of East Providence, Rhode Island, contributes soap wrappers to CARP's nationwide drive to provide soap for Europe's needy children. Hope is supporting the CARP campaign on his NBC radio show.

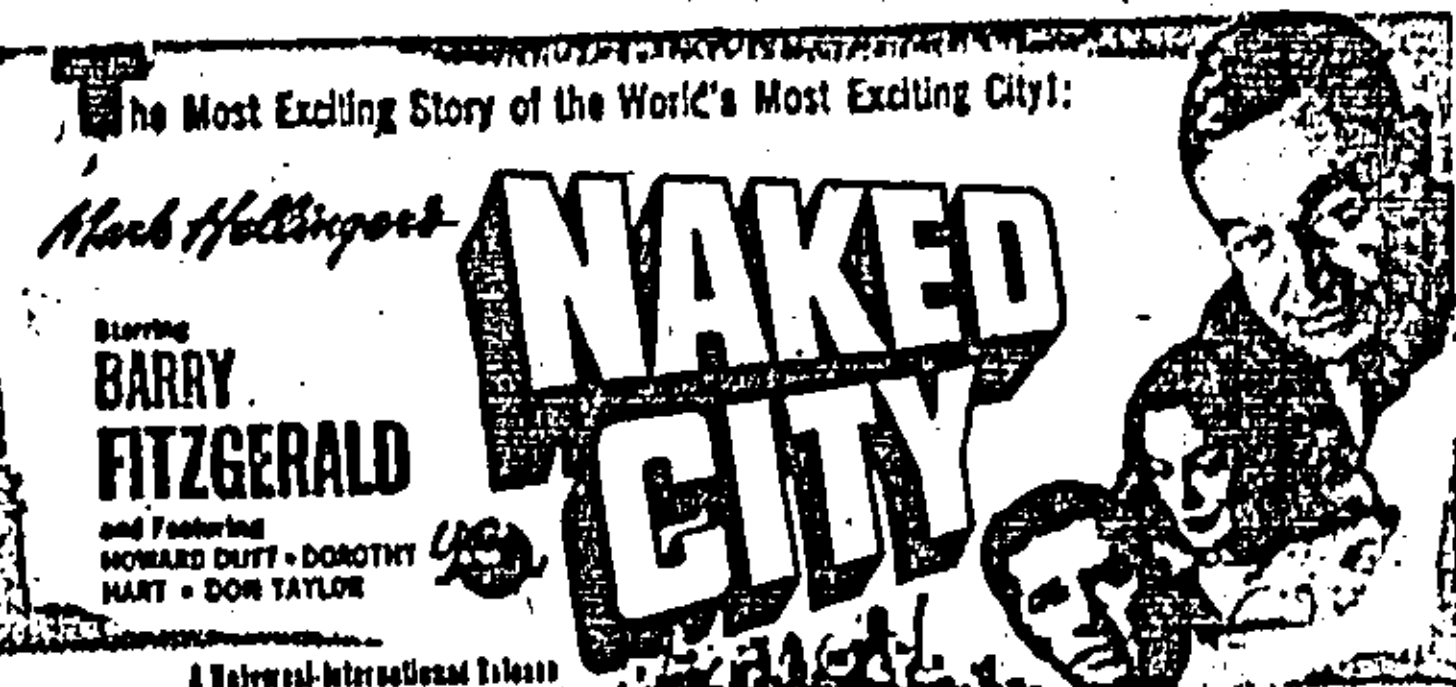
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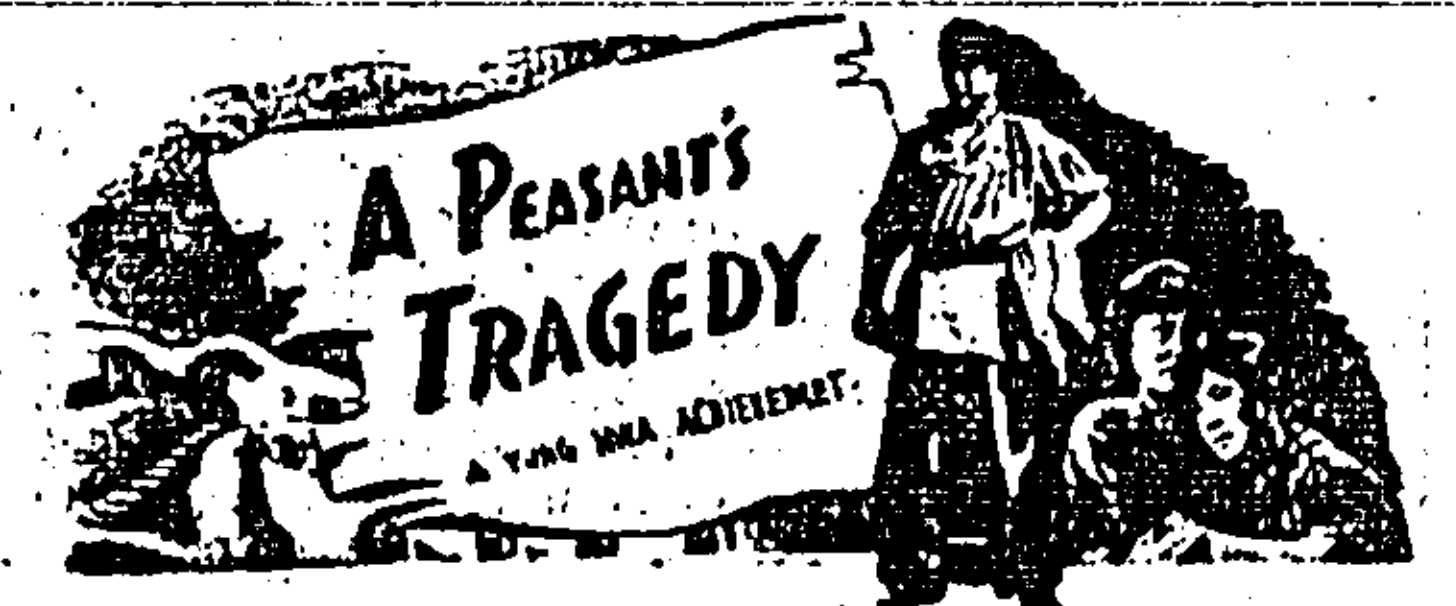
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NEWS FROM HOME

WARTIME SKILL USED:

SKILL acquired during the war in RAF rehabilitation centres—where air crew personnel were cured physically and psychologically of their battle wounds—is now being applied to retrain miners injured in pit accidents in Mansfield, Glamorgan, Bedlington (Northumberland), Nuneaton, Chester-le-Street, co. Durham, Cheshire, Uddington, Llanark and Sheffield. Each centre has a surgeon in charge. Here, in pleasant surroundings, like those of a country club, these men learn to work and play again. The accident rate in collieries is six times as high as in factories. Because the coal industry needs workers it is felt that potential recruits will feel better disposed towards an arduous job if they are assured of first-class medical care. As certain types of injury are characteristic of mining—mainly fractures—it was considered that re-settlement could be expedited at these former Services rehabilitation centres.

100 TYPES:

A survey of the activities of the 430 principle aircraft companies and the 100 principal manufacturers in the United Kingdom discloses that there are more than 100 types of aircraft and at least 40 types of engines in production, in process of development or in an advanced stage of design. This excludes an unspecified number of heavy jet bombers and new night fighters on order for the RAF and certain aero-engines still on the secret list. Of types of aircraft in production, nine are jet-propelled and three have turbo-prop engines. Of 23 engines in production five are turbo-jets and four turbo-propps.

LEGLESS CRAFTSMAN:

To round off his 18 months' training as a watch repairer in his home workshop ex-infantryman Frank Scarratt (23), of Park-road, Featherstone, who lost both legs in the war, has become the first ex-serviceman in the Cammell Division to receive a car from the Ministry of Pensions.

SELF-HELP:

FIFTY Birmingham ex-servicemen are building their own bungalows at Sheldon, under ex-paratrooper G. Lavender, secretary, and a clerk of works. After attending building lectures the men give up spare time and holidays to their task and have become quite proficient builders. They have long since prepared the site they leased for 99 years, and they hope to complete three bungalows by the end of the year. The cost is being secured by a 220 housing share for each person and a progressive building society mortgage of 2500 on each structure. Each occupier will repay at 24s. a week.

The Tories Steam Up

BIRMINGHAM.

YOU come to this enterprising Midland city, 100 miles from the sea, and the first thing you hear about is a ship. If the Americans go ahead with building a kind of Queen Mary at twice British costs how can Britain ever pay back the dollars she has borrowed?

If the Americans subsidise the trades in which we can lick them, how can we profit on exchange?

It is said that this USA prestige liner is going to cost £17½ million, of which the US Treasury will provide £10½ million, a 60-40 split. It will also subsidise its operations.

It is impossible to fill the dollar gap on these terms. It is on top of this that an American "Prestige liner" policy is to subsidise their artificial rubber industry instead of buying our Malaysian natural rubber, and if Germany is to build up a bulwark against Communism, and if Japanese competition is to be developed in markets traditionally British—where do our dollars come from?

Not Infants

THE American bankers and treasurers may say, "We have loaned you dollars and we want them back. But surely they are not infants in arms. Surely they will realise that unless they buy our products they cannot acquire dollars with which to repay them."

Then again it is American dollar pressure which drives us to making this type of Argentine trading agreement, which in turn the Americans try to break. This sort of thing cannot go on.

Let us seek a nice word—some resolution of the problem, some disintegration of it, or in this Chamberlain city shall I say some appeasement.

That is the sort of background I stumble on walking and talking around the town. For this town is interested in everything.

Far seeing men here are troubled with the question where we British are going to find a row to hoe in the world and a furrow to drive.

Call For Genius

BIRMINGHAM has been selling its motor-cars to the USA with some doubt whether it has really made a profitable sale. But in any case there is sufficient loyalty to America among Americans to make them buy their own cars when they can get them. It was very foreboding of Birmingham to

AFTER BLACKPOOL WILLIAM BARKLEY

taking a slice out of Britain for a political test area, today finishes up at BIRMINGHAM

Jump into the American market with British cars when American cars were on slow delivery.

But that day has gone. Much is hoped here of the industrialisation of Latin South America. In competition with the USA we should do good business in tooling the Argentine and Brazil will not buy our goods unless these countries are preparing.

There is hope, too, of Middle East markets where development is expected with the British enterprise centring on Owen Falls in Uganda. But if the USA will not buy our goods unless these countries are preparing.

These are the higher questions of trade impinging on any assessment of the political situation here. The times call for a fruitation of Birmingham's genius for enterprise.

Joe's City

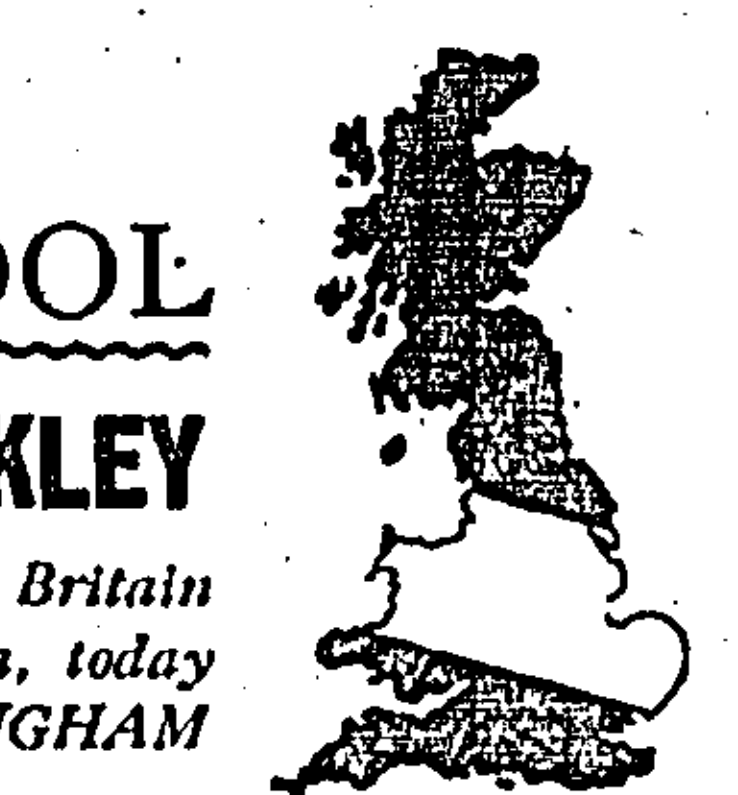
SAT for a quarter of an hour in the Lord Mayor's parlour where a blacksmith, Mr. Hubert Humphreys, occupies the former seat of Joe and Neville Chamberlain.

A good idea for once, that a blacksmith should be lord mayor of an engineering city. But he did not stay a blacksmith very long, not more than ten years. Mr. Humphreys, although he has been 57 years a Socialist, grew up to be an employer and is now a manufacturer of apparatus for paint spraying and dust clearance in factories.

He has been good-humouredly ragged for a recent speech when of his earlier days he said that he put in 11 hours at the forge, one hour cleaning himself up, but still had time to perform as an amateur in Shaw plays.

He told me that even in his own street many houses appeared to have a separate household in every room. It will take 100,000 houses to meet the needs of a city inflated by war-time labour. It is said there are 6,000 Poles here and many hundreds of Indians, and probably somebody from Pakistan too.

Tories, too, are alive to these housing needs. They have just set up a conference which is determined to get housing permits.



The corporation will demand from the Government the removal of building controls, and no doubt such a municipality has got influence in Whitehall.

It was a half and half Tory Socialist council until the elections in May, but the Tories, who call themselves Unionists here, and generally Young Unionists, won 15 seats, and the odds are now 80-50 in the Tory favour.

Job For Tories

THE new Tory majority on the corporation might look into the payment of key-money or offering for tender of the shopping sites in the corporation estates.

The original idea was that these sites would go to Germanised, that is to say, to

Ex-RAF, He'll Be Left Holding The Baby

By J.W. Taylor

"Gentleman, ex-public school, will sit in evenings to look after children; experienced; 2/6 an hour. Phone 65237."

THIS was the advertisement inserted in a Bristol newspaper by an ex-RAF man, John Peckott. His inherent fondness for children is not the real cause of his seeking this work, but his expensive hobby of cinematography and desire to build up his own film library. He stipulates that the children must be at least five years old.

John's way of making extra hobby revenue is not at all new to Britain. Although professional baby-sitting is in its infancy here—in America it is a major industry with a turnover of £50 millions a year—it is steadily growing. Employment agencies are being asked more and more for professional sitters.

The fee which John asks is quite a modest one. The cost of a sitter from a reputable agency, thoroughly vetted as to character, is after between 2/6 and 4s. an hour. Added fares and payment for travelling time may bring the nightly bill from 25s. to 80s., which makes it rather a costly night-out when added to the dinner-theatre cost. Freelancers are usually cheaper, but few ask less than 2s. an hour.

It is a favourite task with engaged couples and a considerable aid to courting, giving them the privacy they often find difficult to get in their own homes. Many students in uncomfortable digs or hostels are glad of the chance of a few hours quiet by someone else's fire to read and study.

SITTERS' CLASSES
 In many parts of the country, classes for sitters are being held. They cover all a baby-sitter ought to know, from how to amuse a child to changing nappies. Tips for the sitter are: Few emergencies are likely to arise, but you should know how to deal with convulsions. Send for a doctor, please child in warm bed with cold, sponge the head, and then wrap in warm blankets.

Don't ask the boy-friend in, unless you have got express permission from your hirer. Don't look in the larder, pull books from shelves, or, in fact do anything you wouldn't do in a friend's house.

Don't bribe the children with sweets or "quieten" them with medicine—it has been done with girls!

REFERENCES
 The hirer is advised to get someone who lives near who won't mind staying later or be asking for travelling time. Since a sitter could be in concert with a burglar, his references should be checked. Clear details where you are going, telephone number, doctor's address and other essentials should be handed to the sitter. It should not be expected of the sitter to do house-chore, in fact anything except minding—the children. Parents should not return later than arranged.

The majority of Britain's baby-sitters are young people. In the States 90 percent of the sitting is done by teen-agers or students who are out for extra pocket money or cash for study fees. Approximately 2,000,000 American teen-agers go "Babysitting" more or less regularly. There is no standard charge with them—most are usually quite happy with a dollar and a cold meal if they know the child is a quiet one. The hardened professional has his or her fixed rates, plus extras. They are very competent.

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C. V. R. Thompson Reports:

The American Scene

NEW YORK. THERE is a boom in Britain's old school ties in the US. The irony is the ties are American-made, because the real thing is too expensive.

A few British-made ties which reached the shops early in the exports drive were bought by US tie makers who liked the colours. They set about copying them.

So today thousands of American business men wear Old Etonian or Guards ties and are startled when a visiting Briton asks what year they were at Eton or where they served.

One such questioner was Neville Blond, Britain's trade adviser to the US. He was concerned when he found that an American wearer of his old Guards tie had never heard of the regiment.

Though Mr Blond has been unable to get Britain any dollars from the tie boom, he has done something for the honour of the old schools and regiments. American firms have agreed to make the stripes a little narrower.

DETECTIVES, suspicious because more and more Government workers in Washington were carrying large

brief-cases, swooped on a group. They found the brief-cases were used to take lunch to the office.

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POCKET CARTOON by OSBERT LANCASTER



"I'm very much afraid that People's Sports Champion Olga Ivanova is showing distinct signs of internationalist deviationism."

NANCY

Large Setback



By Ernie Bushmiller

'WHITE KING' TOILET SOAP for BEAUTY!



US Defence Secretary May Be Given More Power

NEW BILL DRAFTED

Washington, July 6.—Chairman Carl Vinson of the House Armed Services Committee disclosed today that he had drafted a compromise unification bill to give more power to the Secretary of Defence but to "make sure we never have a military dictatorship."

The Georgia Democrat said he would put his proposal before the Committee tomorrow. He hopes it will be approved for House action by late this week.

A series of 14 amendments drafted by Mr. Vinson would modify sharply the unification bill already passed by the Senate.

Among other changes Mr. Vinson would provide for a civilian chief of staff rather than a top-ranking military man as proposed in the Senate bill.

Under the Vinson amendment the job would go to the Under Secretary of Defence, the post now held by Mr. Stephen T. Earle. The Under-Secretary would be entitled "Deputy Secretary."

Another major change would exempt the military establishment from provisions of a General Bill that allows President Truman to reorganise government agencies almost at will.

BREATHING SPACE

"This is all the reorganization they will need in the defence establishment," Representative Vinson told reporters. "If this becomes law then we should let the military have a breathing spell before further changes are made."

He said the measure would give the Defence Secretary of Mr. Louis Johnson, all the power Mr. Johnson has said he must have to tighten up unification of the army, navy and air force and to save—according to Mr. Johnson—more than \$1,000,000 a year.

"At the same time," he said, "we have provided restrictions on this power that will make sure we never have a military dictatorship in this country." Chief among the restrictions is the proposal to provide a chairman for the new headless Joint Chiefs of Staff—who often cannot agree on the strategy they are supposed to plan—require that the must be a civilian who in the past 10 years had not served on active military duty.

SLUMS IN COLONIES

Britain Tackles The Problem

London, July 6.—Britain is trying to eradicate the slums in her colonies, Mr. Arthur Creech Jones, the Colonial Secretary, told the Commonwealth Tuberculosis Conference here today.

Many diseases, he said, and tuberculosis in particular, had their roots in, and drew their vigour from, bad social conditions, poor housing, deficient diet, ignorance of hygiene and the rest.

"We are tackling all these things as evils in themselves, and by doing so are vastly increasing the attainable objectives in this purely medical field," added the Minister.

"In Malaya, public interest in the disease is very apparent. Malaria as a result of energetic control measures is ceasing to be the main killing disease and attention is being focussed on the other threats to life."

"It is believed that there has been, in late years, an enormous increase in the prevalence of tuberculosis in Malaya,"—Reuter.

Iraq Pipeline Damaged

Hafsa, July 6.—The Iraq Petroleum Company's pipeline from Kirkuk to the refineries at Haifa was reported by a usually reliable source here today to have been damaged at a point about nine and a half miles inside the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan.

This is near the spot where the pipeline enters Israeli territory. No details were available here.

The report follows recent rumours that oil would soon begin to flow through the line, which was closed in April, 1948. Later that year, the refineries here, belonging to the British-owned Consolidated Refineries, Limited, closed for lack of supplies.

Negotiations for the reopening of the line have gone on for some months, with Iraq refusing to allow oil to be pumped through it any of it was to be used in Israel.—Reuter.

Young Poles Get The Party Slant

Teachers Too The Line

Warsaw, July 6.—Poland's Communist Minister of Education says the nation's school teachers are successfully putting across the Leninist line to their pupils.

Minister Stanislaw Skrzyszewski told a National Conference of school Superintendents here that the great political achievements in Poland are being accompanied by unparalleled economic feats.

Referring to the ideological drive in the schools, M. Skrzyszewski said:

"The understanding of the teachings of Marx, Engels, Lenin and Stalin is deepening in Poland, and their importance in practical application is appreciated."

The Minister said the government was interested in education for all, but teachers must have the right ideological slant.

He said changes had been made in the school instruction system, under which Polish and mathematics were the most important subjects.

He called upon Polish teachers to "strengthen the growing forces of peace by cadres of new fighters for peace."

Poland has about 134,000 school teachers. Their ranks have undergone "purges" to eliminate all those who did not agree with the aims of the "new Poland," or resisted teaching Marxism and Leninism to their pupils.—Associated Press.

Acheson Calls For Action On Refugees

Prompt Steps By Arabs, Israel Urged

Washington, July 6.—The Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, today reiterated the United States' hope that the Arab states and Israel would take prompt steps to implement the United Nations resolution of December 1948 concerning the repatriation and resettlement of refugees.

He said the US had urged all parties concerned to hasten action because until that was done it would be impossible to estimate what financial assistance would be needed for these repatriated persons.

Mr. Acheson said that as far as the UN Palestine refugee relief programme was concerned, the administration had no intention of asking Congress to authorise any more money beyond the \$12,000,000 it had already appropriated as the United States' share. The total programme calls for contributions of \$32,000,000 from UN members.

Unless other countries made substantial contributions, Mr. Acheson continued, the programme was likely to end within the next few months.

He pointed out that Congress had also authorised an additional \$4,000,000 beyond the \$12,000,000, which could be made available if all other countries fulfilled their subscriptions to the refugee relief programme.

However, he indicated he did not believe all the other contributions would be forthcoming. In that event, the \$4,000,000 could not be made available and he said no further request would be made from Congress for this programme.

Mr. Acheson pointed out that the refugee relief programme was entirely separate from the repatriation and resettlement plan which also was under consideration.—United Press.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"You're too young to think that far back, but I can remember the good old days of the soap shortage!"

Roses For The Princess



Princess Margaret, in a powder-blue gown gets a bouquet of red roses from William Kimber, 77, leader of the Headington, Oxford, Morris Dancers.

Freak Heat Blast Strikes Portugal

TEMPERATURE UP TO 158 DEGREES

Lisbon, July 6.—A freak heat blast, which lasted two minutes and shot thermometers up to 158 degrees Fahrenheit, ravaged the central Portuguese coastal area today, killing thousands of fish and fowl and leaving hundreds of persons prostrate in the streets.

The phenomenon followed a hurricane which tore through Northern Portugal, smashing vineyards, olive groves and crops in its path, and also flooding the Miranda area.

Residents of the town of Figueira, on the central Portuguese coast, said the blast of heat struck "like tongues of fire."

It came as thousands of women hurried to the market place for their morning shopping. Many fell in the streets. Some, fearing the end of the world had come, knelt in prayer in the shade.

The fire-like air wave swept on to Coimbra, 30 miles inland, where similar scenes were reported.

The Mondega River, which empties into the Atlantic at Figueira, dried up at several points between Coimbra and the ocean. At the village of Granja Olmeiro, millions of fish died in the mud, which was rapidly becoming a sand bed. The stench of dead fish and of thousands of barnyard fowl which succumbed to the heat was so bad that many villagers went to Coimbra or Figueira to spend the night.

A naval spokesman at Figueira said the temperature reached 158 degrees during the phenomenon. He said it passed by after two minutes, but the sun was still strong, and the temperature generally was over 100 in the central region.

While Central Portugal suffered from heat and lack of water, storms flooded the Miranda area, in the North. Two planes at Miranda were destroyed and crops throughout the region damaged. At the town of Souzel, 78 miles east of Lisbon, an electrical storm killed 1,000 chickens, ducks and geese on one large farm.

At nearby Algodres, a six-month-old child was killed by lightning while her twin sister slept peacefully in the same crib.—United Press.

The official said the Department would not intervene in the Irish partition question and an answer along this line would be sent to the American League for Undivided Ireland, which has been seeking President Truman's aid on the Irish question.

The official said the Department's answer to the League would be undoubtedly along the lines that the United States government had taken before when the partition issue had arisen—namely, that the government would not intervene.

The official recalled that the issue was raised at least once before, when there was some discussion whether Ireland would join the North Atlantic Pact.

He said at that time the United States took the position that Ireland and Britain were the proper ones to deal with the Irish question and that it should not become involved with the Atlantic pact, not should the United States intervene.—United Press.

The Association received an urgent appeal for candy from Hongkong veterans in Britain who were organising an annual picnic for orphans of soldiers who died in the Far East.

An immediate meeting was called and the parcels which are now en route to Britain will be in ample time for the picnic, scheduled for next Sunday.

The Association comprises members of the Royal Buffs of Canada and the Winnipeg Grenadiers who arrived in Hongkong during the war.

United Press.

Indian Proposal At Geneva

Avoiding Double Taxation

Geneva, July 6.—India set out her views here today on ways of avoiding double taxation by bilateral agreements between governments.

Mr. P. Lal Uppal, Under-Secretary at the Indian Ministry, told the Economic Commission of the United Nations Economic and Social Council at its meeting here: "The proper basis for defining the field of taxation is not by reference to nationality, residence or place of registration, but by reference to the 'source' (location) of the source of income, or the country where the income, in truth, arises."

"The revenue interests of the capital-exporting countries are best served if the income is taxed in the home of the creditor. The revenue interests of the capital-importing countries are served if the income is taxed where the capital is actually invested and produces income."

Mr. Uppal continued: "After all, it may not be an unsound principle that the country which consumes the goods and pays the profits is the country which is most entitled to tax such profits."

"These arguments also apply to ships and aircraft registered in one country but operating also in other countries. Ships and aircraft of the underdeveloped countries cannot, to an equal extent, be operating in other countries."

"It would not, to the extent it is considered, impede the operation of international transport enterprises if the profits, in proportion to the receipts in the country where the traffic originates, are taxed, in that country."

The Commission approved a recommendation that Governments should "actively pursue a policy of negotiating bilateral agreements, wherever appropriate, for the avoidance of double taxation."—Reuter.

China Will Rise Again

US PREDICTION

Washington, July 6.—A United States Navy captain, E.M. Eller, writing in the authoritative magazine United States Naval Institute Proceedings, predicted that China would emerge again as one of the world's greatest powers, despite its present plight.

He said the major question was not whether China would recover, but whether its recovery would come about under Communist domination.

"China will experience a renaissance, once more becoming, as for the most of its long history, a decisive force in Asia."

Citing the tremendous wealth of raw materials as yet untouched in China, Captain Eller said that an industrial revolution in the country might not be long delayed.

He said China's latent wealth and spiritual strength would combine to earn it again a role of leadership in Asia.

China has "demonstrated possession of a mysterious formula that has bestowed upon it power to live through recurring cycles of greatness and decline."—United Press.

New US Envoy To Australia

Washington, July 6.—The United States Ambassador designate to Australia, Mr. Pate Jarman, spent 15 minutes in the House today and then told reporters that "President Truman fully realises the strategic importance of Australia in view of the present events in China."

Mr. Jarman will be leaving for Australia by a Swedish vessel from Los Angeles on August 10. He will arrive in Sydney on September 2nd.

He said that since his nomination he had heard many good things about Australia.—United Press.

Bonn Chosen

Frankfurt, July 6.—Western Germany's politicians today confirmed the selection of Bonn as the provisional capital of Bizonia, but passed the issue of final approval to the first Federal Parliament.

After the session, the 35-man committee of West German Ministers, President and delegates of the Constituent Assembly and Bizonia Economic Council recommended that the decision for Bonn be confirmed.—United Press.

Fewer Jobs In Italy

Rome, July 6.—Unemployment in Italy is now less than 2,000,000 for the first time since the 1937 Official figures published today showed that there were 1,987,189 unemployed at the end of May, compared with 2,220,290 in January.—Reuter.

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Showing: **OUTWARD MAILS**

A surface mail to United Kingdom closes per RMS Canton will be closed as follows: C.P.O.—Parcels, July 1.30 p.m.; Registered, July 1.30 p.m.; Ordinary, 2 p.m.

Kowloon C.P.O.—Parcels, July 7.30 p.m.; Registered, July 7.30 p.m.; Ordinary, 1.30 p.m.

This mail is expected to arrive at London on or about August 8. It is hereby notified that all mail services for Shanghai, Tientsin and North China are temporarily suspended.

Unless otherwise stated registered articles and parcels close 15 minutes earlier than the ordinary mail. If mails close before 10 a.m., registered and parcel posts close at 5 p.m. on the previous day. Mails are closed at Kowloon Central Post Office half an hour earlier than the C.P.O. closing times.

THURSDAY, JULY 7

Closing Times By Air

Canton (C.P.O.) 9 a.m., 12.30 p.m., 2 p.m., 3.30 p.m.; (G.P.O.) 8.30 a.m., 11.30 a.m., 1 p.m., 1.30 p.m., 2 p.m., 3 p.m., 4 p.m., 5 p.m., 6 p.m., 7 p.m., 8 p.m., 9 p.m., 10 p.m., 11 p.m., 12 p.m.

Kowloon (C.P.O.) 9 a.m., 12.30 p.m., 2 p.m., 3.30 p.m.; (G.P.O.) 8.30 a.m., 11.30 a.m., 1 p.m., 1.30 p.m., 2 p.m., 3 p.m., 4 p.m., 5 p.m., 6 p.m., 7 p.m., 8 p.m., 9 p.m., 10 p.m., 11 p.m., 12 p.m.

Strait, Ceylon, India, Madagascar, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Bombay, Aden, Egypt, and Europe via London, 9 p.m., 10 p.m., 11 p.m., 12 p.m. (ord. to-morrow); 1 p.m. (ord. to-morrow).

FRIDAY, JULY 8

Closing Times By Air

Manila, Guam, Honolulu, USA and Canada, 5 p.m.

Air Parcel Post for Manila, Honolulu and USA, (G.P.O.) 4.30 p.m.; (G.P.O.) 4.30 p.m.

Manila, Guam, Honolulu (Printed Matters, Samples and Small Packet Posts) for Manila, Guam, Honolulu and USA, (C.P.O.) 4.30 p.m.; (G.P.O.) 4.30 p.m.

Closing Times By Sea

Formosa via Kowloon, 10 a.m.

Swatow and Amoy, Noon.

Formosa, Penang, Singapore, and New Zealand via Sydney, 2 p.m.

Japan, 5 p.m.

Korea via London, 8 p.m.

Harry Bradshaw Ties A Record

FOR YOUR SPARE MOMENTS

FOR THE BUSINESSMAN

MCKENNEY ON BRIDGE

Squeeze Play Wins This Slam Contract

BY WILLIAM E. MCKENNEY

THE late Maurice Maschke of Cleveland, Ohio, who was one of our finest rubber bridge and tournament players, had a pet theory about doubling slam contracts in tournaments. He used to say, "Never double a slam contract unless you have two different ways of beating it. If your opponent makes the contract doubled, you are bound to get a bad score. If you do not double and he makes it, you will get a more normal score."

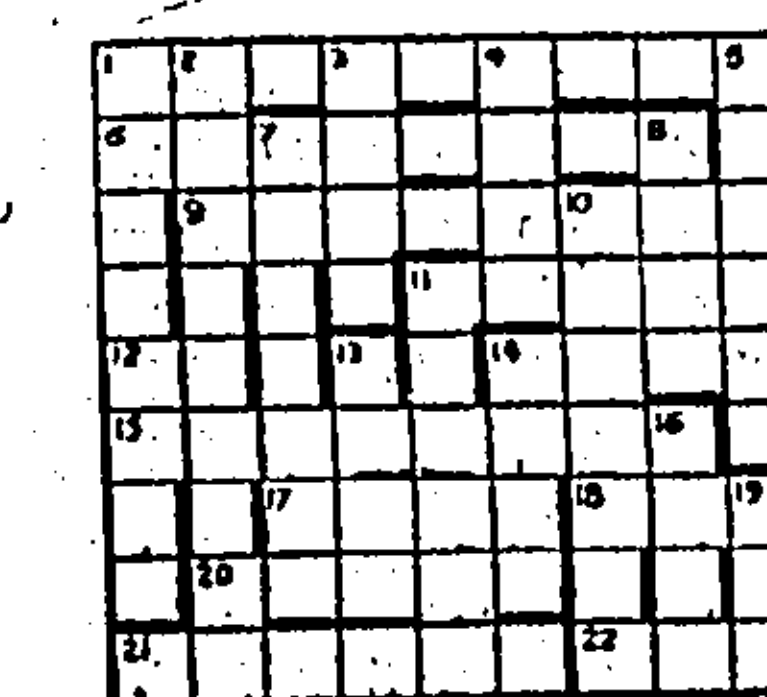
In today's hand North would never have had the chance to get into seven no trump, which was made by a squeeze, if East had had two ways of setting the contract. Seven spades would have been beaten auto-

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♦ A 10 7 6	♣ A Q J 6
♠ K 9 7 6	♥ K 8 7 5
♦ K 8 7 6	♣ K 7 6 5
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atically, but seven no trump was made with the following play.

East opened the king of hearts, which declarer won with the ace. The queen of diamonds was cashed, and a small club led to dummy's king. The queen of clubs was cashed, and now declarer took five diamond tricks, discarding three spades and two hearts from his own hand. Next a small spade was led from dummy to the ace and the ace of clubs was cashed.

CROSSWORD



1. How Tony gets mixed up with drama. (10)
2. A word which is a place. (9)
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Answers: 1. Tony's mixed up with drama. 2. A word which is a place. 3. A word which is a place. 4. A word which is a place. 5. A word which is a place. 6. A word which is a place. 7. A word which is a place. 8. A word which is a place. 9. A word which is a place. 10. A word which is a place. 11. A word which is a place. 12. A word which is a place. 13. A word which is a place. 14. A word which is a place. 15. A word which is a place. 16. A word which is a place. 17. A word which is a place. 18. A word which is a place. 19. A word which is a place. 20. A word which is a place.

CHECK YOUR KNOWLEDGE

1. Starboard. 2. Counting. 3. The volume of blood to compare with a standard. 4. The capital of Syria. 5. In the beginning. 6. A book of death.



Check Your Knowledge

1. What is the opposite of a portside of a ship?
2. What is a blood count?
3. Hudson seal is the skin of what animal?
4. What is believed to be the oldest city in the world?
5. What are the first three words in the Bible?
6. How does the secretary bird kill its prey?

(Answers at foot of Column 1)

BOYS AND GIRLS MAGAZINE

Knarf Took Pooh-Pooh Walking

By MAX TRELL

KNARF, the shadow-boy with the turned-about name, came into the playroom and sat down beside his sister Hanid. She looked up to see him covered with dust, his stockings torn, and his face scratched in several places.

"Where were you?" Hanid exclaimed in alarm. "What did you do? What happened to you?"

Knarf smiled and answered, "Nothing at all happened. I just went for a little walk."

"With whom?"

"With Pooh-Pooh the white poodle. We both took a little walk around the block."

"But how did you get so full of dust? How did your stockings get so torn? Where did you get those scratches on your face?" Hanid wanted to know more about this little walk around the block that Knarf took with Pooh-Pooh the white poodle.

"Well," said Knarf, "Pooh-Pooh and I decided to take a little walk together. Pooh-Pooh asked me if I wanted him to follow me (that's what he usually did when he went walking with anybody), or whether I wouldn't rather follow him."

"What did you do?" asked Hanid.

"I followed him," said Knarf. "I thought it would be more fun that way. So off we went. The first thing that happened was that we met a big dog."

"The dog growled and didn't look friendly at all. But Pooh-Pooh said that was because he had never seen us before. He would be very friendly if only we went up and said hello to him. Pooh-Pooh walked right up to him, and I walked right up with Pooh-Pooh."

"Was the big dog friendly?" asked Hanid.

"He stopped growling," said Knarf, "but that was only because he began barking. And suddenly he jumped at us and Pooh-Pooh and I ran with all our might. He ran in and out of a muddy ditch and crawled under a fence where my stockings got torn. Finally we got rid of the big dog."

"The rest of the walk was pretty quiet," Knarf went on, "except that a cat scratched me. Pooh-Pooh, a boy threw a ball at us, we almost got hit by a car. We watched some children playing ball and then went chasing the ball back and forth. And then, just as we were getting home, Pooh-Pooh said he smelled a rabbit in the garden and we ran up and down looking for it, across the meadow and over the hill, and around the pond and through the woods until it finally got dark and we were both tired and we couldn't find the rabbit, and that was the end of our little walk."

Hanid laughed. "I hope you'll know better next time, Knarf. If you're going to take a walk around the block with Pooh-Pooh, the poodle, or with any other dog, it's better to have him follow you (and act like a boy) than for you to follow him (and act like a poodle dog)."

Knarf said Hanid was right.

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RECORDED MUSIC

SEVEN VEILS FROM PHILADELPHIA

By ROBERT TREDINNICK

THE Philadelphia Orchestra, well served by Gould's arrangement of the orchestra (Columbia DB. 2824).

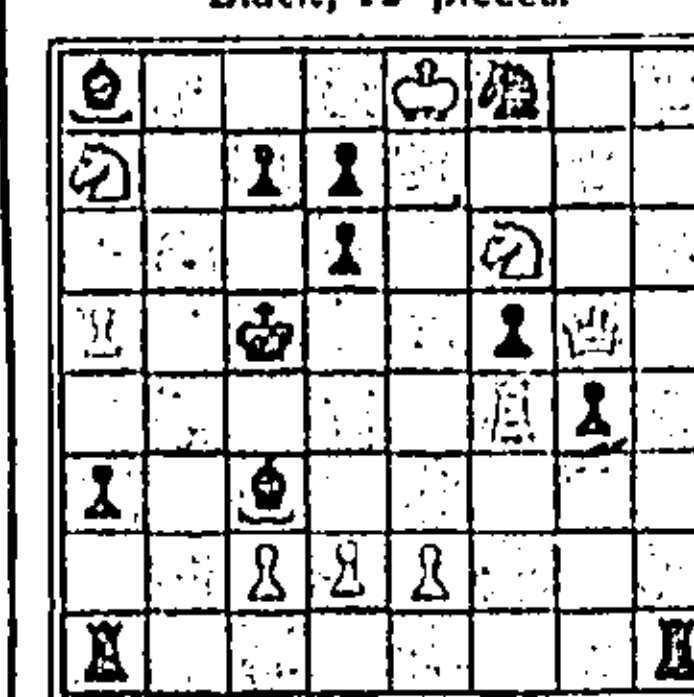
Symphonic Irving Berlin

Peter Yorke and his Concert Orchestra make a symphonic sound of Irving Berlin's "How Deep Is The Ocean" and a Yorke arrangement of "Riding Down From Bangor" which should have been brilliant with wit—but isn't (Columbia DB. 2810).

Comedian Charlie Chester does a first-rate impression of Phil Harris with his own number "Courtin'". So good, is Chester's Charlie that you sorry not to hear more of him in "On The 545" which he works with the Singing Silhouettes on the second side. The orchestra conducted by Frank Chacksfield deserves praise for the lively and imaginative accompaniments. (Parlophone R. 3196.) (Tomorrow—Unusual—Angles)

CHESS PROBLEM

By T. SALAMANCA (ECF Tourney 55)
Black, 12 pieces.



White, 9 pieces.
White to play and mate in three. Solution to yesterday's problem.

YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

THURSDAY, JULY 7

BORN today, you have a great deal of self-reliance and although things may not always go smoothly for you, it is easy for you to make a quick recovery and get going again. This natural resilience is a great asset, and should bring you, eventually, to lasting success. You have a great deal of energy and your ambitions are such that you are able to make good use of it.

Since you have a good head for business, you probably will accumulate at least a comfortable fortune during your lifetime. If you fail, it will be because you think something else is much more important than money alone.

You are apt to overestimate your physical strength and working under pressure will go on to nervous energy to the detriment of your health. Guard against this, for you may find

that you need strength—physical as well as mental—to achieve your ambitions. Be especially careful of the word diet, for there is considerable truth in the adage that man is what he eats.

Worry can be your very worst enemy, so take an optimistic and positive attitude toward everything. If you are negative, you are likely to attract negative results!

It may be best for you men not to wed at too early an age, for you should be well set in your life career before undertaking matrimony. This is less true of you of the fair sex, for you may be the type to make marriage and motherhood your entire career.

To find what the stars have in store for tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

FRIDAY, JULY 8

CANCER (June 22-July 23)—A day when there is apt to be a lot of activity, especially if you are planning new business contracts. Be careful.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—This day has only a fair rating! Don't be over-ambitious. Slow and easy will win today's race for you.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 22)—Be discreet, especially if travelling. Optimism may make you somewhat too expansive. Curb impulses.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)—Expectations may be achieved if today. Do not be impatient if they are slower than you had hoped. They are en route.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)—Accidents can cause trouble today, so be extra cautious, especially of fire hazards.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—Curb impulsive actions. If travelling by car, be careful in heavy traffic.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—If your business is connected with seashore activities or water transportation, anticipate success.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Be alert to opportunities. You will be able to measure a certain degree of success if you are constructive.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 21)—Extra caution is urged in business matters. Think twice before making a decision. Impulse does not pay for you.

ARIES (Mar. 22-Apr. 20)—Be guarded in making major commitments. Postpone signing an agreement until a better day.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—Make moderate gains. Don't expect too much, but take full advantage of what is offered.

GEMINI (May 22-June 22)—Minor uncertainties make this a day in which personal caution should be observed. Haste can only make waste.

BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber

THE neantistes, led by the poet Pierre Tombale, maintain that since Time does not exist, nobody need really do anything.

But Science believes in Time, and has discovered that it is slowing down. In other words, the earth is rotating more slowly, so that the less accurate a clock is the more likely it is to be right. But that is too untidy and human for Science, and I read that the new atomic clock built in Washington will be right and the earth wrong! What next? If Science chooses to say that day is night, day will be night. Winter will be summer. Why? Because a bit of machinery says so.

In passing

IN Dublin they claim Canon-street, close to St. Patrick's Cathedral, as the shortest street in the world. It consists of half a house, but its name is written up like that of any other street. Paris can run Dublin close. In the Halles quarter there is the rue Broca. It has one house, which is numbered "3."

Another Suet Plan

CHARLIE SUET'S plan for the rationalisation of holidays is based on the alphabetised method: A to D in January, D to F in February, and so on. Travel abroad for pleasure will be excepted in the case of politicians, civil servants, lecturers, writers, and publicists. Those who hold a certificate entitling them to an annual holiday will be directed to one of the Holiday Holidays, and will report to the Holiday Supervisor every day. In the case of a family which wanted to go to, say, Torquay, and has been directed to, say, Llandudno, an application for a personal interview at the Holiday Board will be considered on its merits.

(London Express Service)

Record Value Of American Gold Assets

Washington, July 6.—The United States gold assets have reached a record high value of \$24,482,000,000—about three-fifths of the world's stock. American experts here said that they knew nothing about rumours that Britain and other European countries were asking the United States to grant further aid through the media of the American gold stock. They pointed out that it would take action by Congress to turn over any of the gold to a foreign country.—Reuter.

Poland Bans Exports To Yugoslavia

London, July 6.—The Polish Government has ordered a complete stoppage of exports to Yugoslavia. Warsaw Radio announced today.

Explaining Poland's action, Warsaw Radio said: "It became obvious, in the course of the last months, that Yugoslavia did not intend to adhere to her obligations concerning the sending of goods agreed upon and required by Poland." The Polish Foreign Ministry in Warsaw said that Yugoslavia, as opposed to the Polish side, did not effect the delivery of essential goods provided for in the Polish-Yugoslav trade agreement.

"Despite the fact that the appropriate contract had been signed, the delivery of copper has not yet begun, and out of the 500 tons agreed upon, none has been received by Poland."

"Yugoslavia has applied a policy of sabotaging the trade agreement with Poland, and has delivered to Poland to secondary goods, such as wheat, grapes, dried figs, raisins, prunes and tobacco, which have no importance to Polish economy."

"In view of the fact that, despite the many requests made by Poland, the situation has not changed, the Polish Government, having in mind the interests of the national economy, have decided to suspend further deliveries of goods to Yugoslavia."—Reuter.

NY FOREIGN EXCHANGE

Closing rates	US\$100=
Canada (dollar)	40.24-1/2
England—official	4.02-1/2
England—30-day futures	3.95-1/2
France—official	16.75-1/2
France—30-day futures	16.75-1/2
Holland (guilder)	37.00
Italy—official	100.00-1/2
Italy—30-day futures	100.00-1/2
Portugal (escudo)	200.00
Sweden (krona)	4.60-1/2
Switzerland—free	2.25-1/2
Switzerland—official	2.25-1/2
MIDDLE EAST	
Egypt (pound)	4.15
Iran (rial)	30.00
Turkey (lira)	33.75
Latin America	
Argentina—official	20.00
Brazil (cruzeiro)	20.00
Bolivia (boliviano)	20.00
Chile—official	20.00
Chile—free	20.00
Colombia (peso)	20.00
Costa Rica (colón)	20.00
Peru—official	20.00
Peru—free	20.00
Venezuela (bolívar)	20.00
Far East	
India (rupee)	30.00
Pakistan (rupee)	30.00
Hongkong (dollar)	30.00
Singapore (dollar)	30.00

Bulk-Buying Of Tea To Continue

London, July 6.—The Food Minister, Mr. John Strachey, told a questioner in Parliament today that, so long as supplies of tea were insufficient to meet demand, bulk-buying must be retained.

"We can consider our method of procurement on its merits," he said.

Sir Waldron Smithers, Conservative, had asked when the bulk buying of tea would cease and when he would allow the tea and when the tea auction rooms to start again.—Reuter.

Exchange Rates

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Reynaud Urges Devaluation

CRIPPS "PURSUING BAD POLICY"

Paris, July 6.—M. Paul Reynaud, former Premier and Finance Minister, today called for a general devaluation of European currencies and said devaluation of the United States dollar was "unnecessary and unlikely."

M. Reynaud made the statement in an interview soon after reports that the United States Secretary of the Treasury, Mr. John Snyder, had rejected the French proposal for dollar devaluation by boosting the price of gold.

M. Reynaud said: "I do not think devaluation of the dollar in terms of gold is an immediate necessity for the stabilization of European currencies. I do not think it is either probable or necessary in the immediate future."

"For the time being the important thing is to re-adjust the value of European currencies in relationship to the dollar."

M. Reynaud said Britain would be well advised to devalue the Pound immediately and France should follow at once.

"This would help trade of the Marshall plan countries," he said. "If the United States then agreed to set up a fund to support the European currencies without any transfer of gold but simply on the basis of a guarantee by Washington, we should avoid sudden changes in the exchange rate."

M. Reynaud expressed the opinion that it was unlikely that the United States would drop support of Britain and other western European countries in their present economic crisis.

"The situation is too serious for that," he said.

"All European currencies are greatly over-valued in terms of the dollar. It is necessary to

World Rubber Production

Estimate Revised

Washington, July 6.—The US Department of Commerce estimated today that world production of natural rubber this year would be 5,000,000 tons, less than the 5,200,000 tons estimated in April by the International Rubber Study Group in London.

The Department predicted the total would be 1,535,000 long tons.

The Department said it expected 1949 world consumption for 1949 would be 5,700,000 tons. This would leave 905,000 tons for the rest of the world and inventory adjustments.

The Department estimated that the United States would also consume 410,000 long tons of synthetic rubber, or a total of 6,110,000 tons of new rubber for the year. This is 30,000 tons below the estimate by the Rubber Study Group.—Associated Press.

CHICAGO GRAINS

Chicago, July 6.—Grain prices today soared sharply, with wheat prices rising as much as six cents a bushel on news of exceptionally heavy flour purchases by domestic buyers and in unfavourable weather in the spring in the south western harvest area.

Prices closed as follows: WHEAT—price per bushel. SPOT: July 1.24-1/2, 1.25-1/2, 1.26-1/2, 1.27-1/2, 1.28-1/2, 1.29-1/2, 1.30-1/2, 1.31-1/2, 1.32-1/2, 1.33-1/2, 1.34-1/2, 1.35-1/2, 1.36-1/2, 1.37-1/2, 1.38-1/2, 1.39-1/2, 1.40-1/2, 1.41-1/2, 1.42-1/2, 1.43-1/2, 1.44-1/2, 1.45-1/2, 1.46-1/2, 1.47-1/2, 1.48-1/2, 1.49-1/2, 1.50-1/2, 1.51-1/2, 1.52-1/2, 1.53-1/2, 1.54-1/2, 1.55-1/2, 1.56-1/2, 1.57-1/2, 1.58-1/2, 1.59-1/2, 1.60-1/2, 1.61-1/2, 1.62-1/2, 1.63-1/2, 1.64-1/2, 1.65-1/2, 1.66-1/2, 1.67-1/2, 1.68-1/2, 1.69-1/2, 1.70-1/2, 1.71-1/2, 1.72-1/2, 1.73-1/2, 1.74-1/2, 1.75-1/2, 1.76-1/2, 1.77-1/2, 1.78-1/2, 1.79-1/2, 1.80-1/2, 1.81-1/2, 1.82-1/2, 1.83-1/2, 1.84-1/2, 1.85-1/2, 1.86-1/2, 1.87-1/2, 1.88-1/2, 1.89-1/2, 1.90-1/2, 1.91-1/2, 1.92-1/2, 1.93-1/2, 1.94-1/2, 1.95-1/2, 1.96-1/2, 1.97-1/2, 1.98-1/2, 1.99-1/2, 2.00-1/2, 2.01-1/2, 2.02-1/2, 2.03-1/2, 2.04-1/2, 2.05-1/2, 2.06-1/2, 2.07-1/2, 2.08-1/2, 2.09-1/2, 2.10-1/2, 2.11-1/2, 2.12-1/2, 2.13-1/2, 2.14-1/2, 2.15-1/2, 2.16-1/2, 2.17-1/2, 2.18-1/2, 2.19-1/2, 2.20-1/2, 2.21-1/2, 2.22-1/2, 2.23-1/2, 2.24-1/2, 2.25-1/2, 2.26-1/2, 2.27-1/2, 2.28-1/2, 2.29-1/2, 2.30-1/2, 2.31-1/2, 2.32-1/2, 2.33-1/2, 2.34-1/2, 2.35-1/2, 2.36-1/2, 2.37-1/2, 2.38-1/2, 2.39-1/2, 2.40-1/2, 2.41-1/2, 2.42-1/2, 2.43-1/2, 2.44-1/2, 2.45-1/2, 2.46-1/2, 2.47-1/2, 2.48-1/2, 2.49-1/2, 2.50-1/2, 2.51-1/2, 2.52-1/2, 2.53-1/2, 2.54-1/2, 2.55-1/2, 2.56-1/2, 2.57-1/2, 2.58-1/2, 2.59-1/2, 2.60-1/2, 2.61-1/2, 2.62-1/2, 2.63-1/2, 2.64-1/2, 2.65-1/2, 2.66-1/2, 2.67-1/2, 2.68-1/2, 2.69-1/2, 2.70-1/2, 2.71-1/2, 2.72-1/2, 2.73-1/2, 2.74-1/2, 2.75-1/2, 2.76-1/2, 2.77-1/2, 2.78-1/2, 2.79-1/2, 2.80-1/2, 2.81-1/2, 2.82-1/2, 2.83-1/2, 2.84-1/2, 2.85-1/2, 2.86-1/2, 2.87-1/2, 2.88-1/2, 2.89-1/2, 2.90-1/2, 2.91-1/2, 2.92-1/2, 2.93-1/2, 2.94-1/2, 2.95-1/2, 2.96-1/2, 2.97-1/2, 2.98-1/2, 2.99-1/2, 3.00-1/2, 3.01-1/2, 3.02-1/2, 3.03-1/2, 3.04-1/2, 3.05-1/2, 3.06-1/2, 3.07-1/2, 3.08-1/2, 3.09-1/2, 3.10-1/2, 3.11-1/2, 3.12-1/2, 3.13-1/2, 3.14-1/2, 3.15-1/2, 3.16-1/2, 3.17-1/2, 3.18-1/2, 3.19-1/2, 3.20-1/2, 3.21-1/2, 3.22-1/2, 3.23-1/2, 3.24-1/2, 3.25-1/2, 3.26-1/2, 3.27-1/2, 3.28-1/2, 3.29-1/2, 3.30-1/2, 3.31-1/2, 3.32-1/2, 3.33-1/2, 3.34-1/2, 3.35-1/2, 3.36-1/2, 3.37-1/2, 3.38-1/2, 3.39-1/2, 3.40-1/2, 3.41-1/2, 3.42-1/2, 3.43-1/2, 3.44-1/2, 3.45-1/2, 3.46-1/2, 3

Dr Soekarno Back In Jogjakarta

Ratavia, July 6.—The United Nations Commission for Indonesia tonight hailed the return of the Indonesian President, Dr. I. B. Soekarno, to the Republican capital of Jogjakarta as a triumph for the good offices of the United Nations.

"For the first time," the Commission stated tonight, "a Government has been restored to its former constitutional position through the assistance of an international organization which had made use of no armed force but of its pacific offices."

Earlier today, the three members of the Commission—Mr. Maurice Cochrane (United States), Mr. T. G. Critchley (Australia) and Mr. Raymond Diermans (Belgium)—had welcomed President Soekarno at the Jogjakarta Airport.

The eight-mile route to the capital was lined with scores of thousands of cheering Indonesians, waving the red and white Republican flag.

WORLD OPINION

The President, standing up in an open car to acknowledge his welcome, told the crowds that the continued struggle of the Indonesian people, though united and the pressure of international opinion were the factors that made the Government's return possible.

The Commission said in their report tonight that Jogjakarta, which was evacuated by the Dutch troops last week, was "orderly and quiet," and the welcoming crowds enthusiastic.

Soldiers guarded the route at intervals of 30 yards.

The Dutch evacuation of the Republican capital followed the agreement for the restoration of the capital to the Republican Government—whose leaders had been detained on Banka Island—and a round-table conference at The Hague next month.

The conference, to be attended by the representatives of all Indonesian groups, is to plan the handing over of Dutch sovereignty to a United States of Indonesia.—Reuter.

U.S. Threat To Boycott British Ships

London, July 6.—Shipping, trade union and Government quarters here tonight maintained silence about the threat by the Seafarers' International Union to boycott all British ships in the United States East Coast ports.

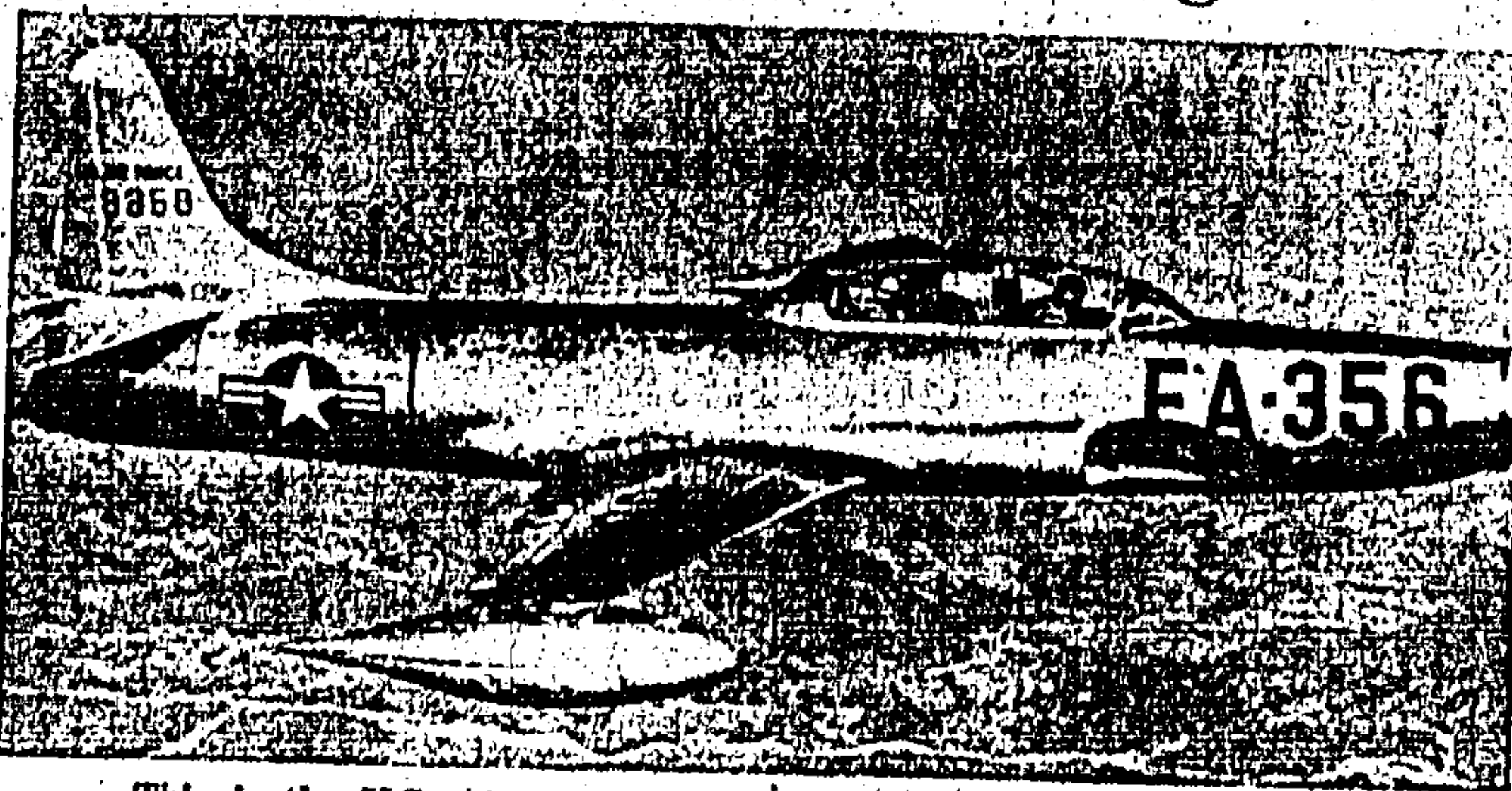
The Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, has received a cable from Mr. H. C. Banks, the Seafarers' Union's international representative, informing him of the intended action.

The Cunard White Star Company also stated that it was informed of the threat. But Government and shipping spokesmen said that there would be "no comment" tonight.

If the boycott takes place the Cunard luxury liner, Queen Mary, due to sail from New York tomorrow, will be among British ships immediately affected.

Trade Union quarters here reported that they had received no direct communication from the Seafarers' International Union or any other labour source in America about the new threat. Officials of the Transport and General Workers' Union, which organized most British waterfront workers whose refusal to discharge and load Canadian ships has led to the Seafarers' Union's threat—were adopting a "wait and see" attitude tonight. The possibility of a postponement of the boycott was thought increased now that the British Government has announced its intention to draft troops into the Port of London to handle the ships stranded by the dockers' action.—Reuter.

U.S. Navy's New Night Fighter



This is the U.S. Air Force's new F-94 jet fighter plane built by Lockheed, in Burbank, California, designed to fly and fight at night. It was described as a radically advanced version of the F-80 Shooting Star jet fighter, carrying two men, the pilot and the radar operator. (AP Photo).

VANDENBERG WANTS NEW CRUSADE FOR PEACE

Washington, July 6.—Senator Arthur Vandenberg today asked the Senate to approve the Atlantic Treaty, and at the same time called on President Truman to launch a "new crusade" for peace. The Michigan Republican leader joggled the President to take action in seeking world disarmament agreements under "dependable" safeguards of inspection and control.

Research On Gulf Stream

Miami, July 6.—Changes in the Gulf Stream as it flows past Florida someday may help long-range forecasters predict the weather in Northwestern Europe.

University of Miami scientists are studying fluctuations in the broad blue ribbon of warm water in an effort to obtain necessary data. The United States Coast and Geodetic Survey is co-operating with them.

Dr. F. G. Walton Smith, Director of the University's Marine Laboratory, says that "results of the research work now in progress may conceivably provide information which will help meteorologists determine weather abroad."

The Gulf Stream forms a kind of great circle, it moves north from here and then eventually east across the Atlantic.

"It accounts for the relatively mild waters in England as compared to the 60 below zero temperatures of Hudson Bay, which lies in the same latitude," Dr. Smith explains.

"It also helps to make even though both are practically astride the Arctic Circle." The Gulf Stream swings south past the coasts of France, Spain and North Africa and finally west across the Ocean to the Yucatan currents, water from the Lesser Antilles and the Gulf of Mexico join off Key West to boost the flow up along Florida.

"Prevailing winds also contribute to the movement of the Gulf Stream," Dr. Smith says. "But the movement is not constant, as some scientists used to think. We believe variations in the Stream have quite a bit to do with changes in European weather."

RATE OF FLOW

"We plan to determine the rate of flow, the temperature and density of water at many different depths as well as changes in the course of the current at various times of the year and under varying conditions," he adds.

"This is a very expensive piece of research," Dr. Smith says, "and it must continue for a time before we shall be able to arrive at definite conclusions. But science knows no national boundaries. If we are able to achieve our expectations, our efforts will be well worth while, for we shall have brought important aid to a portion of the globe."—Associated Press.

Research On Gulf Stream

The Senator drew an ovation from his colleagues when he finished his long plea for the ratification of the pact. The opposition to it has crumbled. It may come to the vote by Friday.

Democratic leader Scott Lucas asked Senator Vandenberg what alternative would be to the Senate ratification of the treaty.

Senator Vandenberg said: "I would hesitate to answer. It would end the momentum toward peace in the cold war which we are in now."

IMPORTANT REASON

Lucas said that failure to approve the treaty "in my opinion would be an open invitation to war." Senator Elbert Thomas also urged approval.

Senator Vandenberg said: "Though we are the sole custodian of atomic bombs, no nation anywhere on earth, including the Soviet group, has the slightest fear that the United States will misuse its present atomic monopoly."

He said one of the important reasons for the treaty is the fact that "we have not finished World War II until the German problem is settled. There can be neither peace nor economic stability in Western Europe until the German problem is liquidated. There can be no release for us from our own burdensome occupational responsibilities until a free government is established. This means on one hand that the Germans must have reasonable and hopeful opportunity to build a sound and healthy economy for themselves and to resume their place in the family of nations. But on the other hand it must be assured that this recovery shall not restore the aggressive military potential which twice in our lives has plunged the world into war."

Vandenberg mentioned criticism of the inclusion of Italy and Portugal in the pact.

SENSE OF PEACE

He said: "Both countries have sought membership in the United Nations and have been prohibited by the veto. Italy is historically indispensable to the individual and collective self defence of France. Portugal is obviously indispensable to the defence of the North Atlantic community. Portugal may lack our sense of democracy but it lacks no devotion to our sense of peace. Both adhere to the principles and purposes of the United Nations Charter through adherence to this pact."

"One question which has arisen in this connection is how can we arm Italy under the pact when our peace treaty with Italy puts a sharp limitation upon Italy's armaments. The answer is that we have no purpose to rearm Italy in excess of the treaty limitation."

"Through self-help and mutual aid we shall increase the efficiency of this brave young Italian republic to meet armed aggression."

The Foreign Committee chairman, Tom Connally, predicted to reporters that the pact will pass with only eight votes against it.—United Press.

**Alger Hiss
Defence
Summation**

New York, July 6.—Testimony in the Alger Hiss perjury trial ended today. Counsel for the former State Department official then began his summation.

Gripping the rail in front of the jury of ten men and two women, white-haired Lloyd Paul Stryker said: "There is only one man in the world who says Alger Hiss furnished secret documents to Soviet spy ring. That man is Whitaker Chambers. So it is necessary for you to determine whether you believe beyond reasonable doubt that Chambers told the truth."

Mr. Stryker reminded the jury that he had forced Chambers to admit under cross-examination that he had lied seven times under oath to the same Grand Jury which indicted Hiss. He told the jury Chambers was a "man who for 12 years was an enemy of his country—a blasphemer of Christ, a disbeliever in God, with no respect either for matrimony or motherhood."

"Even if the FBI erected a stack of Bibles as high as this building, I would not believe Chambers. It is this man by whose sole word—think of it!—his word—you are asked to destroy Alger Hiss."—United Press.

Research On Gulf Stream

Under a reparations agreement signed in Paris in January 1948, the United States, France and Britain were made responsible for distributing among former occupied countries looted gold which the Allies found in Germany after the war.

Poland was not a party to the agreement, which was signed by 10 nations, including Czechoslovakia, Yugoslavia and Albania.

Negotiations to include Poland have been going on for two years.

Agreements with Italy and Austria were signed in 1947. It was stated here that the agreement does not involve any particular amount of gold to be transferred to Poland. That will be considered by the Anglo-French-American Gold Commission at Brussels which decides re-distribution on a pool basis.—Reuter.

Research On Gulf Stream

Manila, July 6.—The trial of two Japanese Army generals for killing of the Supreme Court Chief Justice Jose Abad Santos in Mindanao in 1942 is now scheduled to open before a military commission next Tuesday.

The accused are Lieut. General Yoshitake Hayashi and Maj. General Kiyotake Kawaguchi.

Mr. Abad Santos was killed for refusing to collaborate with the Japanese.—United Press.

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**Petition To Free
Marshal Potain**

Paris, July 6.—Lawyers for Marshal Henri Philippe Potain, wartime chief of state at Vichy, have petitioned President Vincent Auriol to free him from his lonely prison on the Isle of Yeu off France's west coast.—United Press.

AUSTRALIAN MINERS' STRIKE:

Prison Release As Prelude To Negotiations

Sydney, July 6.—Australian trade union leaders, who have demanded the release from prison of a fellow official as a prelude to any settlement of the 10-day-old miners' strike, heard tonight that 14 of their number would get contempt summonses tomorrow.

Their colleague, J. H. King, Secretary of the Western District Miners' Federation, was sentenced to a month's imprisonment yesterday for contempt of Court after refusing to say what he had done with A24,500 he withdrew from the bank.

The summonses would allege contempt of orders by the chief Arbitration Court Judge, Mr. J. R. Kelly, that the unions pay A256,000 to the Court Registrar.

The Commonwealth Government had alleged that this money had been withdrawn from the banks to help to prolong the coal strike, which has already thrown about 500,000 other workers out of their jobs.

The Government took action under the National Emergency Coal Strike Act which "freezes" union funds. Earlier today, the Australian High Court unanimously rejected a miners' challenge of this law and allowed Judge Kelly to proceed with orders forbidding the miners' iron workers' and dock workers' unions to give money to the miners.

DISCUSSION WITH PM

The Communist President of the Miners' Federation, Mr. J. Williams, said that the miners' leaders would "insist" on the release of King before there could be any settlement of the coal strike.

Leaders of the Australian Council of Trade Unions would be told this when they meet miners' leaders here tomorrow to discuss settlement proposals, he said.

The Miners' Executive will consider withdrawing safety men from the mines in protest against the sentence on King, it was stated tonight.

Officials of the Australian Council of Trade Unions discussed the strike with the Prime Minister, Mr. Joseph Chifley, tonight but no announcement was made.

Mr. Chifley had repeated earlier today that the Government would not intervene in the strike.

The strike must be settled by arbitration, he said.—Reuter.

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**AMERICA'S
STRATEGIC
STOCKPILE**

Washington, July 6.—The ECA announced today the United States, expending very few dollars, has signed up to receive for her strategic stockpile an equivalent of \$58,397,864 worth of critical materials from Marshall Plan nations.

The announcement added that supplies of rubber, steel, industrial diamonds, quinine, graphite, cobalt, lead, concentrate, palm oil, sperm oil and platinum are coming to this country as a result of negotiations.

ECA said: "These materials are required by the United States as a result of deficiencies in its own resources. Of the total amount \$39,484,824 represents outright purchases. The remainder of \$18,912,940 represents signed contracts for future deliveries from ECA approved projects of the participating countries."

"A number of negotiations are pending for the purchases of additional materials needed by this country."

RECOVERY ACT

The United States paid out little money for these materials needed for defence stockpiling because the Recovery Act of 1946 provides that the 10 Marshall Plan nations of Western Europe shall provide such critical materials as they become available.

Under the ECA law each ERP nation must deposit in its official currency the dollar equivalent of recovery aid received from the United States. Of this matching amount 95 percent can be used for recovery purposes inside each country. But the remaining five percent is earmarked for the payment of ECA expenses inside each country and to procure or develop production of scarce strategic materials needed here. Therefore most of these critical materials were paid for from counterpart funds and not by dollars.

Mr. Evan Just, mining engineer and editor who headed the ECA's Strategic Materials Division since the early days, is now abroad.

Recovery officials decline to say his mission is to secure still more strategic commodities for the United States. Other sources, however, say he is just doing that. He was represented as taking with him an explicit blueprint of the United States strategic need. Presumably this comes from the national military establishment, the Munitions Board, which is charged with building up the power of American strategic defence and guaranteeing to buy tin, rubber, and cocoa at agreed prices for years ahead.—Our Own Correspondent.

**Extending
American
Markets**

London, July 6.—The Paris correspondent of the Daily Express reports that Mr. John Snyder is sounding out reactions to the scheme for extending American markets involving large private loans from Wall Street for British and French colonial projects and buying Empire raw material for stockpiling.

The aim is to prevent further British cuts in dollar buying. The report says that Mr. Snyder hinted to the French that very large amounts, believed to total £2,000,000,000, of dollar investments may be available quickly.

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